(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) Two children in any class X and XII every year can be admitted over and above the class strength at the discretion of Chairman, VMC.

(b) and (c) Each Member of Parliament can recommend two cases for admission of such children of parents who belong to his constituency either by domicile or on account of having posted there or migrated due to exigencies of service.

Appointments in Centrally Aided Schools in Delhi

†994. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of distinguished schools in Delhi and New Delhi are being granted aid by the Central Government; if so, the reasons for not making appointment of Principal and other teachers in these schools by the Central Government itself;

(b) whether Government would formulate a policy so that appointments on these posts are made by Government, in order to improve the standard of education, particularly in the case of Union Academy Senior Secondary School, Gole Market, New Delhi; and

(c) what action is likely to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) to (c) No grants are given to the schools in Delhi and New Delhi by Central Government (Ministry of Human Resource Development). However, Government of National Territory of Delhi provides Grant-in-Aid to certain schools under the provisions of Delhi Schools Act and Rules, 1973. Appointments to various

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.

vacancies in the schools of Delhi and New Delhi including Union Academy Senior Secondary School, Gole Market, New Delhi are made from time to time in accordance with the provisions of Delhi School Education Rules, 1973.

Free Education to Girl Child

995. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the report titled "PM's pet scheme caught in red tape", which appeared in the Statesman dated 16th February, 2000;

(b) whether the scheme of free education for the girl child announced by the PM almost two years back remains not only unimplemented but is yet to be finalised;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the details thereof; and

(d) whether the present status enhances Government's claim of able and efficient governance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) to (d) The proposed National Programme for Women's Education has been under consideration for some time. All the necessary approvals have now been obtained and the scheme is being processed for Cabinet clearance.

Fee Hike for Delhi University and Colleges

996. SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI:
SHRI GURUDAS DASGUPTA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to raise Delhi University and college fee; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN